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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: AECAMBISTA-16, Contact with

[ ] prior to his withdrawal from the Byelorussian unit contacted AECAMBISTA-16 and arranged with AECAMBISTA-16 for the latter to make some preliminary observations and if possible to come up with names of prospective action type candidates.

2. The undersigned case officer followed through on the contact with AECAMBISTA-16 in New York City on 2 April. From the discussions which followed, it quickly became evident that Byelorussian action type candidates for REDSOX missions are not available in the New York metropolitan area at this time. AECAMBISTA-16 noted that the young Byelorussians who held any promise at all of being prospective agent candidates have been completely integrated into the Byelorussian community and any attempt to single them out at this time would cause unwanted inquiry.

3. In the opinion of AECAMBISTA-16 the area which seems most fertile is Cleveland, Ohio. He stated that he would undertake a trip there on his own. The undersigned told AECAMBISTA-16 that any expenses incurred from the spotting activities would be defrayed by this office.

4. AECAMBISTA-16 at the present time is preparing for his final medical examination which would allow him to engage in private practice in New York City. Obviously this is very important to him. It is the opinion of the undersigned case officer that the value of AECAMBISTA-16 to the REDSOX program during this unstable period in his medical career will hamper his spotting activities. Until such time as AECAMBISTA-16 solidifies his medical career and establishes a reasonable degree of personal security, little should be expected of him.

5. He was given the sterile phone number and was told to call John Maxwell when he felt he could devote some time to the spotting activities or had any new information.

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